

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Southern District of New York

United States of America )

v. )

NIKHIL WAHI ) Case No. 22CR392

Defendant )

## APPEARANCE BOND

## Defendant's Agreement

I, NIKHIL WAHI (defendant), agree to follow every order of this court, or any court that considers this case, and I further agree that this bond may be forfeited if I fail:

- ( ☒ ) to appear for court proceedings;  
 ( ☒ ) if convicted, to surrender to serve a sentence that the court may impose; or  
 ( ☒ ) to comply with all conditions set forth in the Order Setting Conditions of Release.

## Type of Bond

- ( ☒ ) (1) This is a personal recognizance bond.  
 ( ) (2) This is an unsecured bond of \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 ( ☒ ) (3) This is a secured bond of \$ 1,000,000.00 , secured by:

- ( ) (a) \_\_\_\_\_ , in cash deposited with the court.  
 ( ☒ ) (b) the agreement of the defendant and each surety to forfeit the following cash or other property  
*(describe the cash or other property, including claims on it — such as a lien, mortgage, or loan — and attach proof of ownership and value):*

\$75,000 CASH/PROPERTY

If this bond is secured by real property, documents to protect the secured interest may be filed of record.

- ( ) (c) a bail bond with a solvent surety *(attach a copy of the bail bond, or describe it and identify the surety):*

## Forfeiture or Release of the Bond

*Forfeiture of the Bond.* This appearance bond may be forfeited if the defendant does not comply with the above agreement. The court may immediately order the amount of the bond surrendered to the United States, including the security for the bond, if the defendant does not comply with the agreement. At the request of the United States, the court may order a judgment of forfeiture against the defendant and each surety for the entire amount of the bond, including interest and costs.

AO 98 (Rev. 12/11) Appearance Bond

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### Declarations

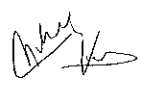
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Date: 8/8/2022

  
Defendant's Signature

NIKHIL WAHI

\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety/property owner – printed name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety/property owner – signature and date

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CLERK OF COURT

Date: 8/8/2022

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Approved.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
AUSA's Signature NOAH SOLOWIEJCZYK

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*Sandeep Puri*

*Surety/property owner – printed name*

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**CLERK OF COURT**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk*

Approved.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Defendant's Signature **NIKHIL WAHI**

**PRANATHI TUPAKULA**

Surety/property owner – printed name

*Pranathi* 8/9/2022

Surety/property owner – signature and date

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**ORDER SETTING CONDITIONS OF RELEASE**

IT IS ORDERED that the defendant's release is subject to these conditions:

- (1) The defendant must not violate federal, state, or local law while on release.
- (2) The defendant must cooperate in the collection of a DNA sample if it is authorized by 34 U.S.C. § 40702.
- (3) The defendant must advise the court or the pretrial services office or supervising officer in writing before making any change of residence or telephone number.
- (4) The defendant must appear in court as required and, if convicted, must surrender as directed to serve a sentence that the court may impose.

The defendant must appear at: \_\_\_\_\_

*Place*

on \_\_\_\_\_

*Date and Time*

If blank, defendant will be notified of next appearance.

- (5) The defendant must sign an Appearance Bond, if ordered.

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF RELEASE**

- (☒) (q) submit to the following location monitoring technology and comply with its requirements as directed:
- (☒) (i) Location monitoring technology as directed by the pretrial services or supervising officer; or
  - (☐) (ii) Voice Recognition; or
  - (☐) (iii) Radio Frequency; or
  - (☒) (iv) GPS.
- (☐) (r) pay all or part of the cost of location monitoring based upon your ability to pay as determined by the pretrial services or supervising officer.
- (☐) (s) report as soon as possible, to the pretrial services or supervising officer, every contact with law enforcement personnel, including arrests, questioning, or traffic stops.
- (☒) (t) \_\_\_\_\_

\$1,000 000 PRB COSIGNED BY TWO FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE PERSONSAND SECURED BY \$75,000 CASH/PROPERTY; TRAVEL RESTRICTED TO SDNY/EDNY/WD WASHINGTON AND TRAVEL POINTS IN-BETWEEN; SURRENDER TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND NO NEW APPLICATIONS; SUPERVISION AS DIRECTED BY PRETRIAL SERVICES; LOCATION MONITORING TECHNOLOGY AS DIRECTED BY PRETRIAL SERVICES; GPS; DEFENDANT SHALL NOT HAVE ANY COMMUNICATION WITH THE CONSPIRATORS IN THIS CASE OUTSIDE THE PRESENCE OF COUNSEL EXCEPT FOR ISHAN WAHL. ANY TRANSACTION OVER THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 MUST BE APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND PRETRIAL SERVICES EXCEPT FOR ATTORNEY FEES. DEFENDANT TO BE RELEASED ON OWN SIGNATURE WITH REMAINING CONDITIONS TO BE MET IN SEVEN (7) DAYS.

Defense Counsel Name: **PRIYA CHAUDHRY**

Defense Counsel Telephone Number: **212 785 5550**

Defense Counsel Email Address: **PRIYA@CHAUDHRYLAW.COM**

**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF RELEASE**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(c)(1)(B), the court may impose the following least restrictive condition(s) only as necessary to reasonably assure the appearance of the person as required and the safety of any other person and the community.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant's release is subject to the conditions marked below:

☐ (6) The defendant is placed in the custody of:

Person or organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address (only if above is an organization) \_\_\_\_\_

City and state \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

who agrees to (a) supervise the defendant, (b) use every effort to assure the defendant's appearance at all court proceedings, and (c) notify the court immediately if the defendant violates a condition of release or is no longer in the custodian's custody.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Custodian

Date

☒ (7) The defendant must:

☒ (a) submit to supervision by and report for supervision to the telephone number \_\_\_\_\_, no later than \_\_\_\_\_ PRETRIAL SERVICES FOR ☐ Regular; ☐ Strict; ☒ As Directed

☐ (b) continue or actively seek employment.

☐ (c) continue or start an education program.

☒ (d) surrender any passport to: PRETRIAL SERVICES

☒ (e) not obtain a passport or other international travel document.

☒ (f) abide by the following restrictions on personal association, residence, or travel: SDNY/EDNY/ WD WASHINGTON AND TRAVEL I IN-BETWEEN. DEFT. NOT TO HAVE COMMUNICATION WITH THE CONSPIRATORS IN THIS CASE OUSIDE PRESENCE OF COUNSEL EXCEPT FOR ISHAN WAHI

☐ (g) avoid all contact, directly or indirectly, with any person who is or may be a victim or witness in the investigation or prosecution, including: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ (h) get medical or psychiatric treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ (i) return to custody each \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock after being released at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock for employment, schooling, or the following purposes: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ (j) maintain residence at a halfway house or community corrections center, as the pretrial services office or supervising officer considers necessary.

☐ (k) not possess a firearm, destructive device, or other weapon.

☐ (l) not use alcohol ( ☐ ) at all ( ☐ ) excessively.

☐ (m) not use or unlawfully possess a narcotic drug or other controlled substances defined in 21 U.S.C. § 802, unless prescribed by a licensed medical practitioner.

☐ (n) submit to testing for a prohibited substance if required by the pretrial services office or supervising officer. Testing may be used with random frequency and may include urine testing, the wearing of a sweat patch, a remote alcohol testing system, and/or any form of prohibited substance screening or testing. The defendant must not obstruct, attempt to obstruct, or tamper with the efficiency and accuracy of prohibited substance screening or testing.

☐ (o) participate in a program of inpatient or outpatient substance abuse therapy and counseling if directed by the pretrial services office or supervising officer.

☐ (p) participate in one of the following location restriction programs and comply with its requirements as directed.

☐ (i) **Curfew.** You are restricted to your residence every day ( ☐ ) from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, or ( ☐ ) as directed by the pretrial services office or supervising officer; or

☐ (ii) **Home Detention.** You are restricted to your residence at all times except for employment; education; religious services; medical, substance abuse, or mental health treatment; attorney visits; court appearances; court-ordered obligations; or other activities approved in advance by the pretrial services office or supervising officer; or

☐ (iii) **Home Incarceration.** You are restricted to 24-hour-a-day lock-down at your residence except for medical necessities and court appearances or other activities specifically approved by the court; or

☐ (iv) **Stand Alone Monitoring.** You have no residential curfew, home detention, or home incarceration restrictions. However, you must comply with the location or travel restrictions as imposed by the court.

**Note:** Stand Alone Monitoring should be used in conjunction with global positioning system (GPS) technology.

**ADVICE OF PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS**TO THE DEFENDANT: **NIKHIL WAHI**

Case No. 22CR392

YOU ARE ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS:

Violating any of the foregoing conditions of release may result in the immediate issuance of a warrant for your arrest, a revocation of your release, an order of detention, a forfeiture of any bond, and a prosecution for contempt of court and could result in imprisonment, a fine, or both.

While on release, if you commit a federal felony offense the punishment is an additional prison term of not more than ten years and for a federal misdemeanor offense the punishment is an additional prison term of not more than one year. This sentence will be consecutive (*i.e.*, in addition to) to any other sentence you receive.

It is a crime punishable by up to ten years in prison, and a \$250,000 fine, or both, to: obstruct a criminal investigation; tamper with a witness, victim, or informant; retaliate or attempt to retaliate against a witness, victim, or informant; or intimidate or attempt to intimidate a witness, victim, juror, informant, or officer of the court. The penalties for tampering, retaliation, or intimidation are significantly more serious if they involve a killing or attempted killing.

If, after release, you knowingly fail to appear as the conditions of release require, or to surrender to serve a sentence, you may be prosecuted for failing to appear or surrender and additional punishment may be imposed. If you are convicted of:

- (1) an offense punishable by death, life imprisonment, or imprisonment for a term of fifteen years or more – you will be fined not more than \$250,000 or imprisoned for not more than 10 years, or both;
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**Acknowledgment of the Defendant**

I acknowledge that I am the defendant in this case and that I am aware of the conditions of release. I promise to obey all conditions of release, to appear as directed, and surrender to serve any sentence imposed. I am aware of the penalties and sanctions set forth above.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant's Signature **NIKHIL WAHI****DEFENDANT RELEASED**

City and State \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions to the United States Marshal**

- ( ) The defendant is ORDERED released after processing.
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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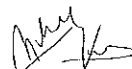
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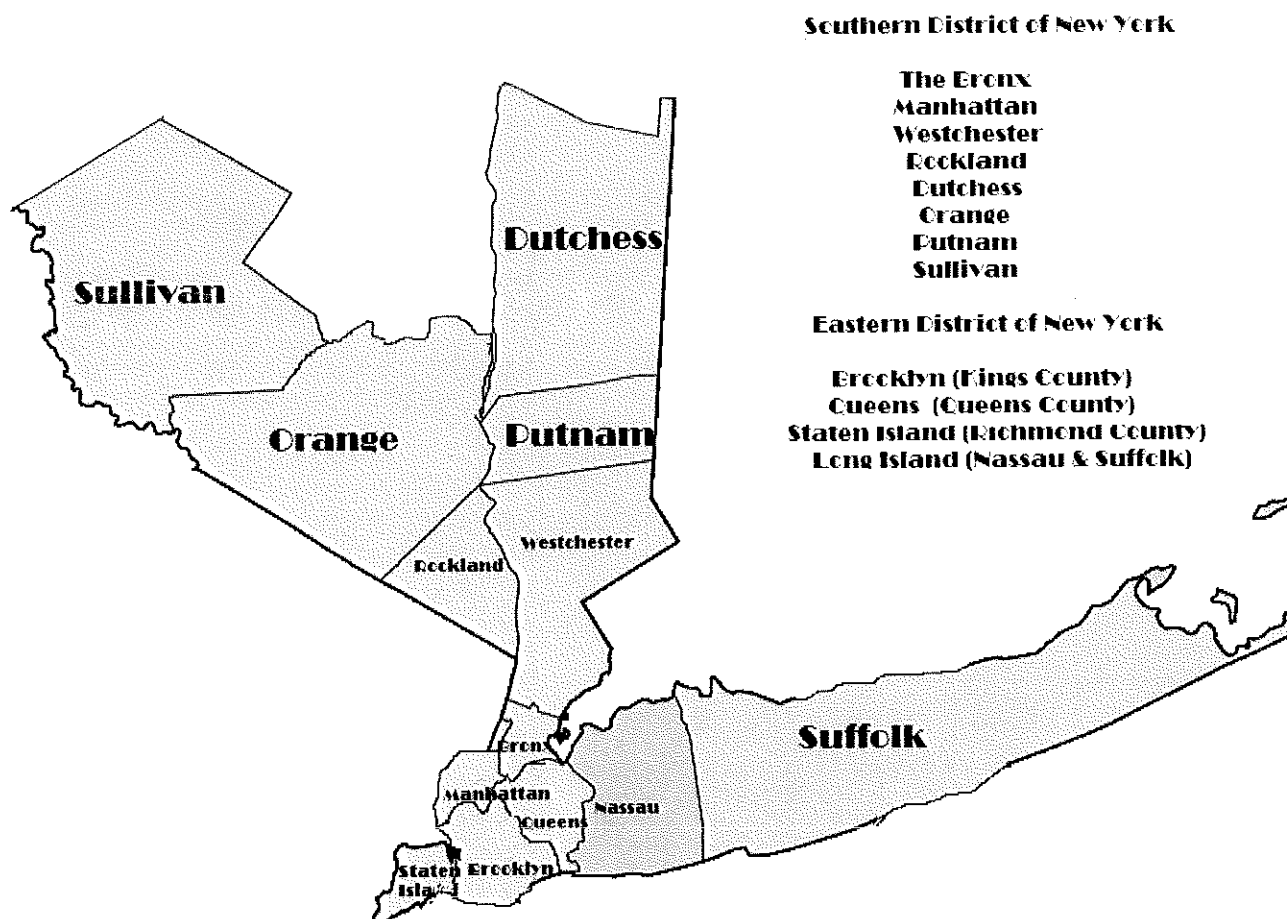
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DOCKET No. 22CR392-02 (LAP)DEFENDANT Nikhil WahiAUSA Noah SolowiejczykDEF.'S COUNSEL Priya Chaudhry☐                      INTERPRETER NEEDED☒ RETAINED ☐ FEDERAL DEFENDERS ☐ CJA ☐ PRESENTMENT ONLY☐ DEFENDANT WAIVES PRETRIAL REPORT☐ Rule 5 ☐ Rule 9 ☐ Rule 5(c)(3) ☐ Detention Hrg.DATE OF ARREST 7/21/2022☐ VOL. SURR.TIME OF ARREST                     ☐ ON WRIT☐ Other:                     TIME OF PRESENTMENT                     **BAIL DISPOSITION**☐ DETENTION ON CONSENT W/O PREJUDICE☐ DETENTION: RISK OF FLIGHT/DANGER☐ SEE SEP. ORDER☐ DETENTION HEARING SCHEDULED FOR:                     ☐ SEE TRANSCRIPT☒ AGREED CONDITIONS OF RELEASE☐ DEF. RELEASED ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE☒ \$ 1 Million PRB ☒ 2 FRP☒ SECURED BY \$ 75,000 CASH/PROPERTY:                     ☒ TRAVEL RESTRICTED TO SDNY/EDNY/ Western District of Washington and travel points in between☐ TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL TRAVEL UPON CONSENT OF AUSA & APPROVAL OF PRETRIAL SERVICES☒ SURRENDER TRAVEL DOCUMENTS (& NO NEW APPLICATIONS)☒ PRETRIAL SUPERVISION: ☐ REGULAR ☐ STRICT ☒ AS DIRECTED BY PRETRIAL SERVICES☐ DRUG TESTING/TREATMT AS DIRECTED BY PTS ☐ MENTAL HEALTH EVAL/TREATMT AS DIRECTED BY PTS☐ DEF. TO SUBMIT TO URINALYSIS; IF POSITIVE, ADD CONDITION OF DRUG TESTING/TREATMENT☐ HOME INCARCERATION ☐ HOME DETENTION ☐ CURFEW ☐ STAND ALONE MONITORING☒ LOCATION MONITORING TECHNOLOGY AS DIRECTED BY PTS ☒ GPS☐ DEF. TO PAY ALL OF PART OF COST OF LOCATION MONITORING, AS DETERMINED BY PRETRIAL SERVICES☐ DEF. TO CONTINUE OR SEEK EMPLOYMENT [OR] ☐ DEF. TO CONTINUE OR START EDUCATION PROGRAM☐ DEF. NOT TO POSSESS FIREARM/DESTRUCTIVE DEVICE/OTHER WEAPON☐ DEF. TO BE DETAINED UNTIL ALL CONDITIONS ARE MET☒ DEF. TO BE RELEASED ON OWN SIGNATURE, PLUS THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:   ; REMAINING CONDITIONS TO BE MET BY: 7 days**ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS/ADDITIONAL PROCEEDINGS/COMMENTS:**

The defendant shall not have any communication with the conspirators in this case outside the presence of counsel except for Ishan Wahi. Any transaction over the amount of \$10,000 must be approved by the Government and Pretrial Services except for attorney fees.

☒ DEF. ARRAIGNED; PLEADS NOT GUILTY☐ CONFERENCE BEFORE D.J. ON                     ☐ DEF. WAIVES INDICTMENT☒ SPEEDY TRIAL TIME EXCLUDED UNDER 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7) UNTIL 3/22/2023

For Rule 5(c)(3) Cases:

☐ IDENTITY HEARING WAIVED☐ DEFENDANT TO BE REMOVED☐ PRELIMINARY HEARING IN SDNY WAIVED☐ CONTROL DATE FOR REMOVAL:                     PRELIMINARY HEARING DATE:                     ☐ ON DEFENDANT'S CONSENTDATE: August 3, 2022Louella A. Previtera  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE, S.D.N.Y.